



# Press Release

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Lt. Michael Reed reported at 0402 am on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Lake County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to 10 Woodland Road in Painesville Township due to the fact that a male was reportedly attempting to break into the residence. The victim caller, who is a resident at the address, had an open 911 line with our dispatchers. The female victim, identified as Mellissa Miller, was reporting that an ex-boyfriend, 26 year old Patrick Cozart, was trying to break into the house. Ms. Miller advised that Cozart was threatening to damage her property and cause her physical harm. Ms. Miller also reported a history of violence with Cozart the past several months.

Upon arrival, deputies observed Cozart entering the residence through a side bedroom window. Cozart had forced his way through the window by pushing an air conditioning unit into the bedroom. Deputies approached the window and began to order Cozart to come out of the residence. Cozart refused to comply with the orders, and Deputy Jeff Dybzinski proceeded to enter the residence by climbing through the open window. Additional deputies entered the residence through the front door. Deputies pursued him through the residence and into an additional bedroom. Deputy Dybzinski managed to tackle Cozart onto a bed where a brief physical struggle ensued. With assistance from additional deputies, He was taken into custody and removed from the residence.

Cozart was transported to the Lake County jail. He was booked into the jail for charges of *Aggravated Burglary, Menacing by Stalking, Resisting Arrest and Possession of Marijuana.*

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